

**REMARKS**

The changes being made are simply editorial in nature and no question of new matter or questions of further search arise. Particularly, redundant passages have been deleted to add clarity, and where appropriate, language has been added to clarify the modifiers in complex sentence structures. The scope of the claims has not been altered.

Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard C. Turner', is written over a horizontal line.

Richard C. Turner  
Registration No. 29,710

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC  
Telephone: (202) 293-7060  
Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

WASHINGTON OFFICE

**23373**

CUSTOMER NUMBER

Date: February 3, 2006